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SUBJECT: DEMARCHES REGARDING ISRAELI REQUEST FOR INCLUSION

IN UNESCO EUROPEAN REGION

REF: STATE 233519 (NOTAL)

- 1. ISRAELI REQUEST FOR INCLUSION IN EUROPEAN REGION OF UNESCO AND FORTHCOMING 19TH UNESCO GENERAL CONFERENCE AT NAIROBI RAISED BY EMBOFFS SEPTEMBER 22 WITH BOTH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS SAMAD GHAUS AND ACTING DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND U.N. AFFAIRS YAHYA MAROOFI.
- 2. GHAUS TOOK NOTE OF US POSITION AND STATED AN INTEREST IN BEING HELPFUL. AFGHANS CAREFULLY FOLLOW ARAB LEAD IN MATTERS OF THIS KIND, SO EMBOFF MADE POINT OF MEN-TIONING "ABSENCES" OF ARAB/MOSLEM STATES AT LAST FALL'S EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING.
- 3. MAROOFI SPOKE FRANKLY OF AFGHAN INTENTION TO CONFIDENTIAL

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HEW TO ARAB LINE AND SAID IT IS VIRTUALLY CERTAIN

AFGHAN DELEGATION WILL FOLLOW "CONSENSUS OF REGIONAL GROUP OF WHICH WE ARE A MEMBER." MAROOFI WENT ON TO SAY HOWEVER THAT THIS WAS ISSUE FOR WHICH AFGHAN DELEGATION WILL BE TOLD TO ASK FOR INSTRUCTIONS AFTER ARRIVAL IN NAIROBI AND BEFORE COMMITTING ITSELF TO A FINAL STAND. WE WILL LOOK FOR A LATER OPPORTUNITY THEREFORE TO INFLUENCE THIS DECISION.

4. MAROOFI INFORMED US THE AFGHAN DELEGATION WILL PROBABLY BE HEADED BY MINISTER OF EDUCATION ABDUL KAYUM WITH AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE MOHAMMAD AKRAM AS HIS DEPUTY. DELEGATION WILL PROBABLY INCLUDE MR.
A. A. SEDDIQI, CHAIRMAN OF THE UNESCO NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, AND A SENIOR PROFESSOR OR ADMINISTRATOR FROM KABUL'S POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

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